Procedure Code. The Government will have to issue many orders from day to day for the maintenance of law and order, and the action taken by the Government in this case is done in the ordinary administration of law. Hence I rule the adjournment motion out of order."

IV.—COMPLAINT *RE* WRONGFUL RESTRAINT CAUSED TO AN M.L.C.

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have also received notice of another adjournment motion given by Mr. Adityan."

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" Sir, before you deal with the adjournment motion, of which I have given notice, I have to make a complaint. Any matter dealing with privilege does not require any notice to be given beforehand. That is the rule. Now the complaint I have to make is about a matter relating to the privilege of the Members of this House. Mr. S. Ramakrishniah, who has been duly elected to this House from the Teachers' Constituency, was proceeding to attend the joint session . . ."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" Is the hon. Member talking on the motion given notice of by him?"

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" No, Sir. I am making a complaint to the Chairman. I am making an oral representation now. A substantive motion of privilege will be duly moved later on. The complaint now is that Mr. Ramakrishniah, a duly elected Member of this House, was proceeding to the Legislative Assembly Chamber on the 6th instant at about 5 p.m. He was stopped by the police at the gates of the Government Estate, Mount Road, and was informed that he could not proceed to the place where His Excellency the Governor was to address at 5 p.m. Of course, this Member was taken aback when he was so stopped. Naturally he asked the officer in charge why he was being obstructed. He was told that he must produce a pass. Mr. Ramakrishniah was all the more surprised on hearing this; because no Member of the Legislature had ever been told that he must produce a pass to enable him to get into the Assembly Chamber. Mr. Ramakrishniah told him that he was a Member of the Legislative Council. Immediately he replied, 'How do I know you are a Member?' Evidently the police man thought that Member of the Legislature would be men of big body and weight (laughter) besides being men with weight of knowledge. In this way he was detained for ten minutes. Subsequently he was allowed to proceed. But he could not attend the joint session of the Legislature at five o'clock. He was late by five minutes. On the whole he was detained for ten minutes. Sir, this is a grave breach of privilege of the Members of this House. I shall duly give notice of my motion on this subject. I mentioned this matter now, for, as per rules, the thing has to be mentioned at the very first opportunity and a substantive motion should be made thereafter in due course, in accordance with proper procedure."

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MR. CHAIRMAN :—" Does the hon. Member move his motion now? "

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" No, Sir. That will be duly done later on."

V.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* RESUMPTION OF THE GRANT OF LANDS TO CONGRESS POLITICAL SUFFERERS.

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" Sir, I have given notice of a motion for adjournment of the business of the House in these words—

'I ask leave of the House to-day for moving a motion for adjournment of the business of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.—

The issue of an order by the Government to the Collector of Madurai to resume the grant of public lands to Congress political sufferers.' "

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" Mr. Adityan, there is no need to make a speech."

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" I only read my motion. The usual procedure Sir, is that the Member who has given notice of the motion for the adjournment of the business of the House is allowed to state the facts of the case."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" That is a matter left to my discretion, I shall give my ruling now. This motion is on similar lines to the previous one. These deal with actions taken by the Government in the course of their day-to-day administration. The House will have an opportunity to discuss this matter in the debate on the Address of His Excellency the Governor. So I rule the motion out of order."

The House now stands adjourned till 11 a.m. day after to-morrow, i.e., the 10th May 1952.

SRI V. CHAKKARAI CHETTY :—" Sir, is there no remedy for us against police obstruction? You are the custodian of our rights and privileges. I hope you will guard them carefully. I do not want to say anything more now. You are the best person to safeguard the rights and privileges of the Members of this House."

SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW :—" Sir, what about the Bill put down for discussion to-day? May I know why it is not taken up to-day? "

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have already adjourned the House."

The House then adjourned to meet again at 11 a.m. on Saturday, the 10th May 1952.